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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONFIRMING CONNECTION OF A  
TERMINAL CONNECTING PORTION

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formal drawings (Figs 1-13) in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.84.

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